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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE DELIVERED: NEW U.S. ARCTIC POLICY
DIRECTIVE TO BE SIGNED BY PRESIDENT BUSH

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On January 8, Poloff delivered reftel demarche to MFA Americas desk officer, Jemina Holmberg. Holmberg asked whether the incoming administration would be "bound" by the terms of an NSPD signed now. Poloff drew on reftel talking points to convey that basic U.S. interests in the region are likely to remain the same for some time and that the document reflects fundamental U.S. objectives. Holmberg stated there was widespread interest within the MFA in seeing the final product once it is signed by the President.
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